HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the remote Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6th May 2021.

- Present -Parish Councillors; Mr J Eaves [chair]-Mr R Edwards-Mr G Denny-Mr W Mason. Mr D Jones, clerk to the council.
- 1; The chairman welcomed those present and the meeting started at 2.00pm. Apologies had been received from Mr R Pitt.
- 2; The meeting agreed unanimously that Councillor Eaves remain as chairman for a further year.
- 3; No interests were declared by councillors in respect of any agenda items.
- 4; The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th March 2021 were accepted as a true record.
- 5; The clerk reported the following matters arising;

He had reminded Highways about their promise to run a camera under Hyde Lea bank. A general discussion followed in which it was explained that some road works had recently been carried out on the road way on the bank, possibly to investigate the problem. It was decided not to take any further action at present but monitor the situation.

6; Financial matters;

A] The following invoices had been paid since the last meeting on the chairman's authority. The meeting agreed the payments as follows.

Cheques No	Item	Amount
001182	Payroll services	£61.45
001183	SPCA	£145.00
001184	Stafford B C	£506.56[2 nd instalment of election cost]

B] Annual Accounts; had been circulated prior to the meeting

RESOLUTION; accounts were accepted unanimously

C]Annual Governance Statement; clerk explained the document and the council's responsibility. *

RESOLUTION; councillors agreed the statement and it was duly signed

D]Accounting Statements for 2020/2021 were explained. *

RESOLUTION; councillors accepted the statement and it was duly signed.

E] Certificate of exemption; clerk explained the basis for a council to apply for exemption from external audit.

RESOLUTION; council agreed unanimously to apply for Certificate of Exemption.

* will be explained in more detail if required at the July meeting.

7; Planning applications; no current applications on hand.

8; Highways matters;

- Litter picking; 2 volunteers had come forward. Clerk to order necessary equipment.
- Footpath No 12; wooden steps have rotted and are in a dangerous condition.
- Footpaths are being used but people are straying onto farm land by breaking through hedges and using paths not designated as public footpaths.
- Way markers and route markers have been removed in Coppenhall.

9; Correspondence; all SPCA emails are circulated. A new code of conduct has been introduced and must be accepted by all councils. As this is 17 pages long, it will be on the agenda for the next meeting'

10; The next meeting will be provisionally on Wednesday 7th July 2021 in the village hall

Meeting ended at 2.35pm.